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I hope the court takes into account the numerous 'tactical' bugs wich are actually a way of orchestrating the market. Also, the extent of the way 'exploits' appeared in Microsoft products combined with the NSA-key controversy is quite disturbing to all who care about privacy. Microsoft only recently turned focus to security thus actually confessing to NOT have cared in the past while company's and people surely were made to believe so.

These previous topics have been a way wich seriously misled a lot of people into believing a Microsoft product is what it claims to be. In fact, Microsoft should be paying people to install one of their security-fixes. Looking at the revenue and profits Microsoft has at it's disposal it's quite frustrating to realise they've never cared for delivering a better, less bug ridden, product in the first place thus actually stealing money from trusting citizens.

Finally, Microsoft products should be banned as a defacto standard for the educational system as they've managed to accomplish all over the world. Mostly by out-buying their competitors or by launching a F.U.D.-campaign against perfectly viable alternatives as there is Open Source Software. Moreover, right now they are raising the prices of eductional licensing by as much as 40%. Good grief. This is a strangling policy typical for the disregard in wich Microsoft interacts with the market and the public. Tax-payers, like me, worry more and more about company's like Microsoft who lay claim to solutions instead of providing one.

Kind Regards,

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